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" (*g*) A deputation of the Provincial Society was informed on 1st August 1946 that the Government would reconsider the position if the amendments were reiterated at a second meeting of the general body meeting of the society.

" (*h*) The Registrar of Co-operative Societies has since been directed to register the amendments."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Sir, the Hon. Minister quoted section 57. Such interference under that section on the part of Government arises only if there is irregularity in the proceedings of such officers. Under Section 12 of the Act, Sir, the competent authority to register the amendment is the Registrar. And then, Sir, under Section 24 of the Act . . ."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" Is it a commentary that you are giving? (Laughter.) Or do you want any information?"

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Sir, the Hon. Minister is not giving the correct legal position as regards amendment. We have made representations to the Government regarding this. That is why I put the question. What I want to point out is to see that even under section 57 Government was not competent to interfere with the registration of amendments to by-laws."

THE HON. SRI K. CHANDRAMOULI :—" There were certain other irregularities also. That is why Government were forced to interfere."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Was the society informed of the existence of these irregularities?"

THE HON. SRI K. CHANDRAMOULI :—" Notice."

K. UPPI SAHIB BAHADUR :—" Was it done on the initiative of Government or on the initiative of somebody else?"

THE HON. SRI K. CHANDRAMOULI :—" On the representation of the directors and others."

Assistant Superintendent of Stationery.

* 140 MR. K. O. ANTHONI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the post of Assistant Superintendent of Stationery was reserved for war-returned candidates and what the qualifications prescribed were;

(*b*) whether any suitable candidate had applied and had been selected by the Public Service Commission;

(*c*) if not, who has been appointed after the retirement of the permanent incumbent and what his qualifications are;

(*d*) whether the appointment has been made on a temporary or permanent basis; and

(*e*) if temporary, whether the Government propose to advertise the post and call for applications from candidates possessing the necessary qualifications?

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THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

"(a) Yes. The method of appointment to the post is by direct recruitment but leave vacancies may be filled by transfer from any other service. A candidate recruited direct to the post must not have completed 35 years of age on 1st of July of the year in which selection is made and he must possess an intimate knowledge of the paper trade and wholesale stationery.

"(b) A certain number of candidates who are *prima facie* qualified have applied to the Madras Public Service Commission. A final selection has not been made.

"(c) & (d) Pending recruitment of a candidate by the Madras Public Service Commission, Mr. R.(?) Siddique, Assistant Superintendent, Government Press, has been appointed temporarily. He possess a Diploma in Printing, London, and a full Technological Certificate of City and Guilds of London Institute, London, besides other certificates in Printing and Allied Trades.

"(e) Does not arise in view of the answer to clause (b)."

Course of studies in the Veterinary College.

* 141 Q.—SRI C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that under the old regulations a student studying in the Veterinary College has to appear at the end of the year for both the Government Diploma Examinations and for the University Examinations in practically the same subjects;

(b) whether it is a fact that while the students failing to get a pass in the University Examinations alone in any year are allowed the option to give up the Degree Course and complete the Diploma Course, students failing to get a pass in the Diploma Examinations alone are not given the option to finish the Degree Course alone but are obliged to stay in the same class until they pass the Diploma Examinations;

(c) how many students were detained in each year as a result of the examinations held in March and October 1946;

(d) whether it is a fact that the Diploma Course has been abolished as a result of the new regulations;

(e) what remedy the Government propose to adopt in the case of students who appeared in the latest examinations under the old regulations and failed in the same, in order to enable them to further prosecute their studies;

(f) whether they will be allowed to join their next higher class and appear for the University Examinations; and

(g) whether the Government propose to make any temporary provisions to meet the needs of such failed students?